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Group Art Unit: 2814

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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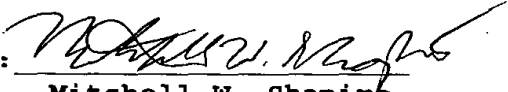
Sir:

Responding to the Office Action mailed May 16, 2002
and to the requirement for restriction therein, applicants
elect to prosecute in this application the invention
designated as Group I (Claims 1-7 and 21-26). Applicants
reserve the right to file one or more divisional patent
applications with regard to the non-elected invention.

An action on the merits of the claims to the elected
invention is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, then such extension is hereby requested.

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